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Group Art Unit: 1651

Serial No.: 09/841,264

Examiner: David M. Naff

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Title: BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE PROCESSING METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS THAT INCLUDE SURFACTANTS

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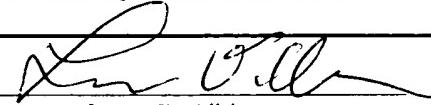
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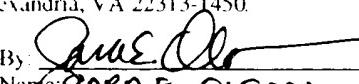
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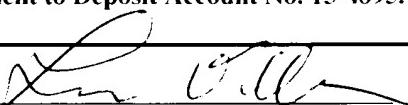
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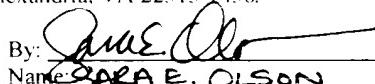
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Total Claims	50	45	5	x \$18 =	\$90
Independent Claims	13	10	3	x \$84 =	\$252
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